

NEW AND RECENT ISSUES

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BRAZIL—Tiradentes	.1v .04
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ANGOLA: A new four value series showing Our Lady of Fatima has been received. Denominations are: 50c lake; Sags. bright ultramarine; 6ags. vermilion and 9ags. dark red-brown.**BRAZIL:** A single 40 centavo commemorative stamp is printed in orange-brown and bears a three-quarter portrait of Tiradentes with dates, 1748 & 1948.**COOK IS.** A new pictorial series from half pence to 3 shillings will replace the current set sometime next year.**EGYPT:** A 10 mill commemorative honoring Ibrahim Pasha was issued November 10th. The stamp is green and brown and shows a portrait of Pasha with ships in the background.**FRANCE:** A new 2½fr. brown has been issued in Scott's Type 147. At this writing, the stamp has only been issued pre-cancelled, and it is unlikely that it will be available without the pre-cancellation. Our information being that it is for use on pre-cancelled Christmas greetings.**LUXEMBURG:** There is a new charity series honoring the composer and poet, "Dicks." Denominations and colors are as follows: 60c plus 40c yellow and brown; Fr. 1.50, plus 50c red and salmon; 3½fr. plus 3½fr. light blue and dark blue; 10fr. plus 5fr. light green and dark green.**MACAO:** A new set of postage dues has just been issued similar in design to the set of postage dues issued in 1945 for use by several Portuguese colonies (Scott's Type D1). However, in this new series, the word "Macao" appears in the central space, above the figure of value. Denominations and colors are as follows: 1 avo red-violet; 2a. purple; 4a. indigo; 5a. brown; 8a. magenta; 12a. reddish-brown; 20a. yellow-green; 40a. red; 50a. yellow and 1 pataca light blue.**MOZAMBIQUE:** A four value set honoring Our Lady of Fatima has been issued. The design is the same as the series issued for Angola, which shows the Virgin Mary appearing in a vision to three children from a small Portuguese town of Fatima. Denominations and colors are as follows: \$.50 light blue; \$1.20 bright red violet; \$4.50 green; \$20.00 chocolate brown.**PORTUGUESE COLONIES:** A single stamp has been issued for various Portuguese Colonies, honoring Our Lady of Fatima. The design is the same for all colonies with the exception of Mozambique and Angola, each of which have sets of four values described elsewhere in this column, but in the same design as issued for the other Portuguese colonies. They are: Timor 8A slate; St. Thomas and Prince Island \$50 purple; Macao 8A red; Portuguese India 1T slate green; Guinea \$50 sea-green; Cape Verde \$50 indigo.**SWEDEN:** August Stindberg, born in 1849 will be honored on the centenary of his birth by a commemorative series, which is to be released in January or February.**TIMOR:** The new pictorial set showing natives in costume are extremely colorful and interesting. Denominations are: 1 avo blue and brown; 3a. brown and gray; 4a. red lilac and green; 8a. black and red; 10a. peacock blue and orange; 20a.

blue and light blue; 1 pataca, yellow and blue; and 3p. pur-



ple and brown. These are also in a miniature sheet, showing all ten stamps together, but sold by the post office department for 5 patacas.

TRIESTE: The 15 lire brown commemorative of Italy honoring Donizetti, has been overprinted in green, A.M.G.F.T.T. for use in Trieste.**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:** In addition to the eight value series which is to be issued in honor of the Columbus Lighthouse, we are now informed that the 8 stamps will also be issued in a miniature sheet with the appropriate marginal inscriptions. Total face value of the sheet will be \$1.94, but it is not likely that the sheet will be available on a face value basis.**FJJI:** The half penny green, Scott's No. 117, has been observed perf. 12, it previously had been issued perf. 12½ and perf. 13½.**IRAN:** A set to honor Nuslih-udin Sa'di, a famous Persian poet of the middle ages, is to be issued early in 1949.**JAIPUR:** The 1 anna blue and black, Scott's No. 37, has been overprinted "9 pies service" for official use.**LEBANON:** Two revenue stamps, a 5 piastre red, and a 10y. blue have been overprinted with an ornate design and revalued, 5 piastres, as a postal tax issue.

NEW U. S. FIRST DAYS

January 10—4c Airmail Postal Card, Washington, D. C.

Jan. 18—Airmail 6c Washington, D. C.

March 3—Minnesota Terr. Cent. 3c, St. Paul, Minn.

April 12—200th Anniversary of Founding of Washington & Lee University, Lexington, Va.

ANNOUNCED WITHOUT DETAILS

Puerto Rico 3c commem, probably from San Juan, Puerto Rico.

PROBABLES

Airmail 6c coil.

Airmail 6c booklet pane

Airmail 6c envelope

First day covers bearing the above stamps can be had by requesting them from the postmasters of the city designated for first day of issue and by adhering to the usual regulations governing such requests.

Stamp Club Organized At Shelby North Carolina

Collectors living in the Shelby, North Carolina area will probably be pleased to know that a stamp club has been formed in that city. Organizer of the group is Robert A. Roach, pastor of the Seventh Day Adventist church there.

Collectors 16 years or older of either sex will be eligible to membership in the club, which to date has several of the prominent citizens within its fold.

Interested persons can write to Mr. Roach at Box 1021, Shelby, North Carolina, or call on him at his home there.

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H. R. Harmer, International Stamp Auctioneers of 32 East 57th Street, New York City announce that instructions have been received from the Marshall of the Prize Court of Bermuda to offer for unreserved sale by auction, various stamps seized while in transit during World War II coming from Axis dominated Europe and parts of Africa.

The stamps are mainly of interest to dealers and comprise considerable quantities of mint and used sets, largely of European countries and issues around the 1940 period. There are also vast quantities of packets and millions of stamps suitable for the packet and cheap approval trade. Although no rarities are included, there are a number of items such as the Austria Dollfuss 10s, Belgium Semi-Postals, the better sets, and scarce France, Netherlands and Switzerland.

Fred T. Buck, director of H. R. Harmer, Inc., has spent some weeks in Bermuda cataloguing this immense group of material. He estimates that the sale will comprise nearly 1200 lots and the realization should be in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

The auction will take place in Hamilton, Bermuda sometime in March 1949 and further details will be announced very shortly.

Dealer Slowed Down By Temporary Illness

An illness which he first acquired during his military service in World War II is slowing the attention which Joseph V. Butch, manager of Consumers Service, 247 Glover Ave., Chula Vista, Calif. can give to the orders of his customers.

Mr. Butch asks that his customers be indulgent and patient at this time in view of the fact that he cannot deliver their orders with his usual promptness. Consumers Service specialize in AMG issues.

Plans Well Advanced For Australian Show

A meeting of representatives from most of the philatelic societies of Australia occurred at Melbourne recently under the auspices of the Royal Philatelic Society with the intention of formulating plans for the Australian National Philatelic Exhibition for 1950.

While the bulk of the work in connection with the show will fall on the clubs in the state of Victoria, societies in each of the other five states have pledged both exhibits and cash pledges. In any event, the 1950 Exhibition is definitely assured of success.

Guidance of the various committees will be by General Chairman J. R. W. Purves whom collectors will remember as one of the judges at the CIPEX New York show in 1947.

It is intended that the exhibition will approximately celebrate the centenary of the first issues of New South Wales and Victoria, both of which appeared in 1850. Possibilities of the Postmaster General approving a stamp or series of stamps for the occasion are good.

It has been planned to keep the exhibition a national one, that is, no entries will be accepted from collectors other than those of Australia. Several prominent collectors might be invited to show their material but this will be made on a non-competitive basis.

Inquiries about the exhibition can be sent to A. W. Bunn, 67 Victoria St., Footscray W. 11, Victoria, Australia.

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NEW POST OFFICE. On December 1, the post office at Circle Pines, Minn. opened its doors to the service of patrons for the first time. The cancellation supplied to mail on that date is shown above. Circle Pines is a community about ten miles north of St. Paul, just newly incorporated. V. S. Peterson was named as the postmaster. —Photograph Courtesy St. Paul Dispatch.

New Israel Stamps In December, January

In a cablegram received by the Israel-Palestine Philatelic Society, 225 W. Huron St., Chicago, Ill., the Philatelic Services of the Israel Ministry of Communications advised that a commemorative stamp will be issued early in January to mark the adoption of the official Israeli flag. The stamp will be of 50 mils denomination and will portray the new flag in its natural colors.

This flag, the familiar two horizontal stripes and Shield of David in blue on a field of white, (which has been the banner of Zionism for many decades), became the flag of Israel by a unanimous vote of the Provisional Council of Government late last October.

The Philatelic Services also advises that the present coin design series (which, as explained in previous news releases, was prepared prior to the declaration of independence of Israel and is inscribed only with the words "Hebrew Post") will be replaced by a definitive series with the name "Israel" in three languages. Only the 3, 5, 10, 15, 20 and 50 mils values of the new series will be shown in the ancient coin designs of the present stamps, and will be issued early in January.

The high values of this set will follow later in January and will consist of:

100 mils—Scene in Jerusalem
150 mils—Scene on Negev desert

200 mils—Scene in Galilee
250 mils—Design commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the founding of Petah Tiqva, the first Jewish agricultural community in Palestine.

The air mail set, according to another Israel source, will definitely be issued some time in December. The set will consist of 30, 40, 50 and 250 mils values and will depict a flying dove copied from a mosaic design found on the floor of an ancient synagogue recently excavated near Jerash, Transjordan.

Dealer In New Quarters Has Club Facilities

A new stamp store has appeared in Cleveland Heights, Ohio at 3518 Cummings Rd. Known as the Eisenmac Stamp Co., it will be under the management of M. L. Eisenberg.

Previous to this time the company had operated a mail order firm exclusively. It will now expand its activities in the mail order field, and also take care of a retail counter trade. Stock of the store will consist of stamps from the world over and which will have an interest to the beginner as well as the advanced collector.

The firm also has the facilities for meetings or get-together of collectors at its new location, and it extends an invitation to groups of collectors in the area to make use of them.

U. S. High Values

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278	\$5.00	Wmkd. (1895)	57.50
311	\$1.00	(1901)	24.00
312	\$2.00	(1902)	29.00
313	\$1.00	(1902)	20.00
342	\$1.00	(1908)	14.00
423	\$1.00	(1912)	17.50
478	\$1.00	(1916)	40.00
479	\$2.00	(1917)	12.00
480	\$5.00	(1917)	11.75
523	\$2.00	(1918)	34.00
524	\$5.00	(1918)	11.00
547	\$2.00	(1920)	9.50
571	\$1.00	(1923)	2.00
572	\$2.00	(1923)	3.00
573	\$5.00	(1923)	7.50

What else do you need in U. S.

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COLLECTING CHARITY SEALS

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1948 Finland Christmas Seal
Illustrated herewith is the Finland Tuberculosis seal for 1948.



It depicts Old Father Christmas and was designed by Martta Wendelin. 6,500,000 copies were issued.

35th Year Celebrated
Grace Lutheran Sanatorium of San Antonio, Texas celebrated the



35th anniversary of its founding. Started in 1913, Grace Lutheran had its first seal in 1915 and has been issuing seals yearly since with the exception of 1916, 1917

and 1919.

This year, instead of issuing booklets of 25 seals as has been the custom, the booklets consist of 35 seals each, 7 panes of 5 seals to each booklet.

Following is a listing of countries which have issued seals for combating tuberculosis, together with date first started and last issue date. Some countries have not issued a seal every year.

Argentina—1927 to date; **Australia**—1925 to date; **Austria**—1913 through 1934;

Bavaria—1906 through 1913;

Belgium—1925 through 1948;

Bermuda—1931 through 1948;

Brazil—1927 through 1947;

Canada—National issues 1927 to date, local issues from 1908; **China**—1938 to date; **Chile**—1925-1928;

Cochin China—1933-1938; **Columbian Republic**—1933 to date;

Costa Rica—1 issue, date unknown; **Cuba**—1928-1939; **Czechoslovakia**—1919 to date;

Danish West Indies—1907-1916;

Denmark—1904 to date; **Dominican Republic**—1943 (1 issue); **Dutch Indies**—1 issue, date unknown;

Ecuador—1937 (1 issue); **Eire** (Ireland)—1909 to date; **Estonia**—1928-1939;

Finland—1911 to date; **France**—1925 to date nationally, local issues from 1906;

Germany—1907-1913; **Greenland**—1925, 1 issue; **Great Britain**—1926 to date;

Haiti—1942-1944; **Hungary**—1927-1937;

Iceland—1904 to date; **India**—1941 to date; **Indo China**—1932, 1 issue; **Italy**—1931-1940 nationally, locally from 1909;

Japan—1924-1940; **Jugoslavia**—1929-1940; **Jutland**—1909-1913;

Korea—1932-1940; **Latvia**—1934 and 1936, 2 issues; **Luxemburg**—1908 only; **Mexico**—1943 to date;

Netherlands—1933-1939 nationally, locally from 1905; **Newfoundland**—1944 to date; **Nicaragua**—1937, 1 issue; **Norway**—1906 to date;

Palestine—1927-1932; **Panama**—1933-1938; **Peru**—1934-1937; **Philippine Islands**—1910 and 1935, 1947 to date; **Poland**—1926-1938; **Portugal**—1929 to date;

Romania—1912 and 1934; **Russia**—2 issues, dates unknown;

Salvador—1939-1943; **Scotland**—1930, 1 issue; **Spain**—1907-1939;

Sweden—1904 to date; **Switzerland**—1912 to date; **Syria**—1924 and 1926;

Trinidad and Tobago—1935 and 1936; **Turkey**—1940-1945;

Union of South Africa—1929 to date; **Uruguay**—1941 only; **Venezuela**—1937 to date; **Wales**—1928 only;

Then, of course, we have the U. S. national seals which were first issued in 1907 and have been issued yearly since. Many collectors are under the impression that the first seal in this country was 1906 due no doubt to the issuance of two seals the first year. This was necessary because the sale of the first issue was greater than anticipated and a second issue was put out. The first issue reads: "Merry Christmas" while the second issue has "Merry Christmas-Happy New Year" on it.

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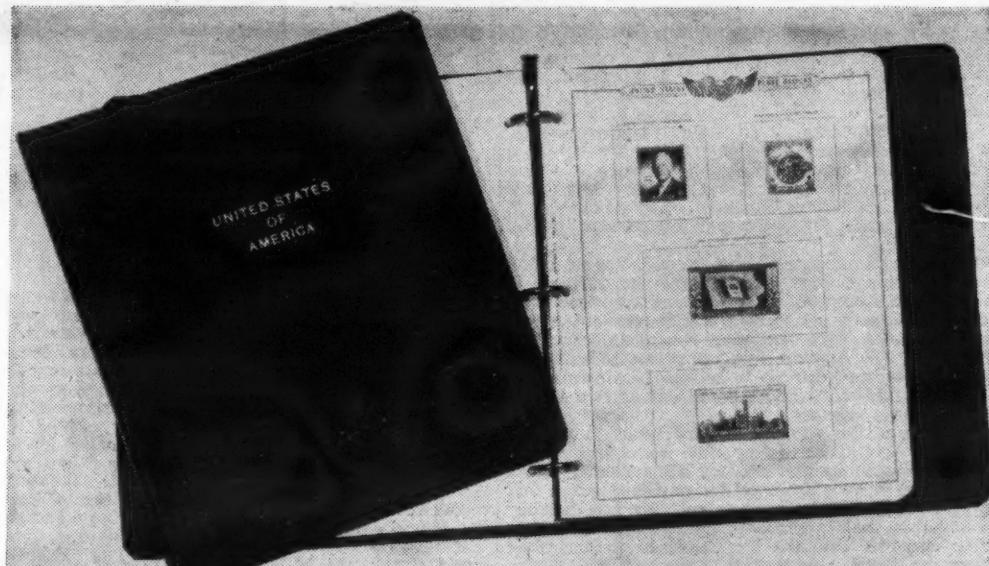
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order, the Agency is so poor that it is so far behind in orders due to lack of help that you may have to wait 30, 60 or 90 days to get your order filled.

Imagine if you can any big business doing two or three million dollars a year, run on such a scale. Thousands of big business firms in the United States spend thousands upon thousands of dollars every year for advertising in national magazines asking people to send a letter asking for a free booklet about their products. These booklets may cost a few cents each or they may cost 25c each but the big business firms offering them are glad to give them away to interested parties and to pay the postage on them too. My, what a lack of sound business and salesmanship is exemplified by the way our Philatelic Agency is run.

All this is prompted by a letter just at hand from Mr. Robert E. Fellers, Superintendent of this Agency. Mr. Fellers tells us that some of the big national magazines like "Liberty" and others have given the poor Agency some free advertising, as a result of which they are receiving thousands of letters asking for their price list. Mr. Fellers states that the Agency is unable to supply these free lists unless the applicants will send a stamped addressed envelope for them. He asks that we publish this fact. What a poor business management is prevalent at this Agency.

But, friends, we do not blame Mr. Fellers. He is only an employee. The rules and regulations come from higher up. Just where, we do not know. If from the Postmaster General, then we blame him. If from the Congressional Committee that doles out the funds to operate the department, then we blame this committee, but think of the possibilities of this great Stamp Business. A business doing two or three million dollars business a year, yet too poor to do the business in a proper manner.

With the opportunities at hand, with the expenditure of a few thousand dollars per year, this agency could double its volume. It could do so much to promote stamp collecting and at the same time sell more millions of dollars worth of stamps which cost but a few cents per thousand to produce. Will the men responsible for the lack of business methods of this Agency ever take time to look into these possibilities and permit the business to be run like a business or in these days of Billions, probably another million or two is just so much small change to these spenders.

Of course, the profits of the Agency are not what some may think. Perhaps Mr. Feller would be better able to estimate just what portion of the stamps sold by the Agency are collector items and just what portion of the stamps are used for postage. It is a fact that a considerable percentage of the stamps sold by the Agency are used for postage and that the Government does render full service for them. We must consider that the big handlers of controlled mail buy heavily from the Agency so that they can get fine copies and that these stamps pay and serve as postage so that by no means all or too great a part of the sales are net and clear.

It would be interesting to know just what part of the sales are held by collectors, leastwise the sum is large enough that net profits of the Agency should run to a very substantial sum.

I know of sound stamp dealers who would gladly trade their whole business for the Agency Business and then run the Agency in a business like manner and get still bigger profits.

It is a very sad story, this Philatelic Agency business. It has more customers than any hundred stamp dealers lumped together yet is so poor that it can not properly handle its business.

Given free rein to run the Agency like a stamp business should be run (and that is all it is), sales could be increased by from 50 to 100% in a years time, orders could be filled promptly and the interest in stamp collecting would get such a lift that it would be reflected in the business of every stamp dealer in the United States.

As one correspondent recently put it, the stamp trade needs a lobby in Washington, a lobby that can talk to the Congressmen and let the Post Office Department rest a bit for the Department is tied hand and foot and any relief can only come from the appropriations committee that parcels out the funds. We can get it if we can show them, but it will take some hustling.

Handbook Tells All About Austrian Airmail

Airmail enthusiasts with a knowledge of the German language have an excellent opportunity of discovering a lot of information about the airmail stamps, service and flights of Austria. Such a comprehensive compilation of information is found in the handbook "Geschichte Der Österreichischen Flugpost." It is published by Verlag Adolf Konel, Wien 71, postfach, Austria. Cost is 8.50 Schillings from the publisher.

The information about Austrian airmail starts with the full information about each of the stamps issued for that purpose. It then progresses through a listing of the official flights with mail and ending with information on airmail labels or etiquettes as they are called.

Quantities, varieties of stamps, number of covers flown and the cities serviced on flights are all given. If the publishers could be prevailed upon to issue the handbook in the English language, it would have every reason to be popular in the English speaking countries.

Rare Liberia Airmail Terms Contest Prize

Liberia's fourth most valuable airmail stamp is going to be prize number 9 in the big philatelic terms contest which is now three quarters of the way completed. Listed by Scotts as #C37, the stamp has a catalog value of \$50. It is a superb mint copy in every respect.

This prize has been sponsored by the Jackson Co., 214 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y. The quality of the prize is an indication of the quality of the Jackson stock. The firm handles stamps from nearly all countries of the world with a special emphasis on Rooseveltiana, of which they have a complete stock, and airmail stamps. They also have a fine approval service, a nice line of packets and an interesting stock of accessories.

While not exactly rare by any means, a complete set of the 35 values of the Famous American series in mint blocks of four is still a very nice piece of stamp property. Winner of prize #18 in the terms contest will have this for his or her own when the winners are named. Donor of the prize is Alfred J. Eberling, 115 Stuyvesant Place, Staten Island 1, N. Y.

Mr. Eberling specializes exclusively in the stamps of the United States. He is able to supply mint and used singles, blocks and sheets of issues for quite a few years back. He also has a fine stock of plate number blocks. His stamps are all in fine or better condition, and customers purchasing from him can feel assured that any stamps described by him are done so conservatively.

Being able to choose stamps as a prize according to personal tastes in the matter has a lot of advantages also. Such an advantage is made possible by letters of credit which permit the holder of them to buy what they want. Letters of credit for \$10.00 are the prizes which the winners of the 39th and 40th terms prizes will get.

One is furnished by Edwin A. Bowditch, 650 Park Ave., Bloomfield, Conn. Mr. Bowditch has made quite a reputation with his fine approval service. He has arranged his approval selections in such a manner that the customer can determine at once the quality of the stamp, the price and the identification of it. Stamps are of a selected quality, and include mint and used stamps from the world over.

Elmer J. Quinn, Box 570, Madison 1, Wis. supplied the other \$10.00 letter of credit. Winner of this prize will have a fine stock of stamps to choose from, since Mr. Quinn stocks a comprehensive representation of general material. These can be gotten from him in singles, sets and collections, and in many cases, in mint or used condition.

A place to put stamps, and a good one at that is what a lot of collectors are searching for. A number of collectors prefer the International Album, a bound book, in which to mount their philatelic treasures. A Part II International Album with a value of eight dollars will be awarded to the winner of the 59th prize in the terms contest.

It has been sponsored by Buckeye Stamps, 222 W. Babbitt St., Dayton 5, Ohio. The company handles most of the new issues as they appear, sending these out to clients who subscribe to their new issue service, or who select them from the periodical price lists of the company. As a specialty, Buckeye Stamps, carry a rather extensive stock of mint and used stamps of the British Empire. They do have a want list service which can be used for nearly all countries.

Buckeye Stamps are also sponsoring the last five prizes of the contest. These consist of \$1.00 letters of credit which the winners can apply to purchases made from their stock as described above. They welcome inquiries as to their service and their stamps.

Packets Offered At Incorrect Prices

Readers are asked to remember the following corrections which are to be used in ordering from the ad of Dena Stamps, 760 Market St., San Francisco 2, Calif. of November 29.

The price for a packet of 300 Bulgarian stamps should be \$4.45 instead of the 45c as printed. The price for 100 San Marino is \$1.25 instead of the 25c as printed.

Dena Stamps has a very nice stock of the new issues of the world as well as a fine line of packets.

\$80,000 New York Stamp Robbery

The wave of stamp robberies which has kept the stamp dealers of the East on edge for the past year or more reached its climax on Saturday evening, December 4. Robbers broke into the Lexington Avenue store of the United Stamp Co. in New York, escaping with stamps valued at between \$80,000 and \$100,000.

The robbery occurred between the late evening closing of the well lit ground level store and the return to the store of owner Frank Vinson the next morning.

Reports reaching Linn's indicate that while the robbery was actually in progress, passersby noticed the activity in the store, and were advised to ignore the apparent actions of the thieves.

The robbery is only partly covered by insurance, it is reported. To obtain entrance, the outer door from the street was forced, and the safe door removed in order that the stock of material enclosed therein could be reached.

In recent weeks the offices of Spencer Anderson on Nassau street were entered during a weekend and stamps to a value of \$10,000 or more were taken. Earlier the 5th Avenue firm of New York Stamp Co. was robbed during a weekend, of fine stamps in sets to a total value in excess of \$75,000.

The apparent existence of a well organized and informed ring of "week end stamp burglars" seems to be obvious. To date there has been no trace of the material, although were there no means for disposal of the loot, it is doubtful that the robbers would continue.

Checklist Big Help To Specialists In France

CHECK LIST OF THE NUMERAL CANCELLATIONS USED BY THE POST OFFICES OF FRANCE. Brainerd Kremer, Publisher, Brainerd, Kremer, 20 Church St., Montclair, N. J. Paper covers, approx. 70 pages, illustrated. Price \$2.50.

The author of the checklist above had earned himself quite a reputation for having the answers to numerous questions about the stamps and covers of France, so much so in fact, that he was constantly besieged with mail requesting answers. The present checklist ought to please a lot of those collectors who were curious.

Not all collectors realize that mail was canceled by anything but a legible postmark which gives the date, city and hour of mailing. Years ago, mail was postmarked with cancelers of various designs, and which carried a number, the number being the identification of the town in which the mail was deposited, or canceled.

While a great many of the cities and towns were known by their numbers, there still remained a sizeable group which had defied the specialists for their identification. Mr. Kremer has fairly well solved this problem for French postal administrations with his checklist. The list includes the postmarks for France, Offices in Foreign countries, Algeria and some of the early usages of stamps.

The "French Book" includes a check list that can be used to locate more than 6,000 post offices in any of the early French provinces or departments. It can be used to identify the various numerals used in the cancellations of French stamps used before 1876. It differentiates the significance of the small and the large numerals. It gives exhaustive information on the Paris lozenges and stars.

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THE FLOOD IS UNABATED. Almost as regularly as the appearance of Monday morning is the appearance of a new souvenir sheet from Japan. One of the newest of the lot is the one shown herewith with two copies of the 5 sen miners stamp in olive brown. An outline map of the island of Shikoku and appropriate wording in grayish blue complete the design. The sheet was issued for the stamp exhibition at Kochi on the island of Shikoku. It was sent through the courtesy of Lt. R. T. Wilson now stationed in that country.

**Beautiful Awards For
Winners At Miami**

The Miami Stamp Club is sponsoring a stamp exhibition and bourse, called the "Pan-American Stamp Exhibition," to be held on March 3, 4, 5, and 6th, 1949, in the City of Miami Florida, at the Bay Front Park Auditorium.



Prizes will be awarded for the best exhibits which will be judged by prominent philatelists on the basis of philatelic knowledge, completeness, condition, arrangement, neatness and showmanship.

The classifications are Air Mail, United States, Single foreign country, Covers, and subject or topical collection.

The George H. Deuble (see photo) award will be given for the United States collection, the William F. Cheer award for the single foreign country, the cover collection by the Pan-American Airways, the Samuel Segal Jr. award consisting of ladies or gentleman's gold wrist watches to the winner of the subject or topical collection, and, the grand prize consisting of a beautiful album containing 50 Hand bordered pages—each page a different border with an attractive leather binder. This award will be donated by one of the local dealers.

Collectors interested in exhibiting in this show should write immediately for an entrance blank as all entries close Feb. 1st, 1949. Address your letters to the president of the Miami Stamp Club, Mr. G. S. Knoth, 1136 A. I. DuPont Building, Miami, 32, Florida.

The club meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at the Y. M. C. A. Building in downtown Miami, N. E. 3rd Ave., and, 1st St., at 8 p. m.

**Heart Attack Fatal
To Club Secretary**

A heart attack caused the death of Eugene Grezzi, 1969 39th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. on December 4. Mr. Grezzi was well known in stamp circles in the New York area where he spent much of his time promoting the hobby of stamp collecting.

At the time of his death, he was the secretary-treasurer of the All-Boro Collectors Club of New York City.

**Announce Dates For
1949 A. P. S. Meet**

Dr. Howard K. Thompson, President of the A. P. S. 1949 Convention Committee Inc., has announced that the dates for the Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society to be held in Boston next year will be August 16-20 inclusive.

This will be the 63rd annual meeting of this Society, which has not met in Boston since 1930. Since membership in the Society is world wide, it is expected that the Boston Convention will draw many visitors and exhibits from foreign countries.

Committees, whose membership includes many prominent philatelists and dealers in the Boston metropolitan area, have been working since last summer on the details of the exhibit, dealers' bourse and other attractions. Other officers of the general committee include: John Heard, secretary, 107 Irving St., Cambridge, Mass.; Fernald Hutchins, clerk, 1 Strathmore Road, Brookline, Mass.; Frederick W. Burnham, treasurer, 403 Highland St., Newtonville, Mass.

The Convention will feature a large competitive exhibit of several hundred frames of stamps, postal marking and other interesting and valuable philatelic material in Horticultural Hall on Massachusetts Avenue, where the bourse will also be held. Convention headquarters will be at the Hotel Statler a short distance away.

A prospectus outlining the classifications, awards and rules for the exhibition will be ready for distribution soon after the first of the year.

**Auction Firm's Annual
Is Being Distributed**

Auction fans have always looked forward to the annual resume of the H. R. Harmer organization. Published each year for the last 23, the present one includes information about the activities of the firm's Australian office, as well as New York and London.

The contents include a report of the auction and private treaty transactions, an illustrated resume of the leading realizations of the two houses of New York and London, a "portrait gallery" of "Those Who Serve You," the story of the I. R. O. (International Refugee Organization) Stock sale, an article on "Those Silver Wedding Issues" by Bernard Harmer which has already brought forth considerable report in the daily and philatelic papers etc. etc.

The Resume is being distributed to all clients on the H. R. Harmer mailing list. Some time will elapse, however, before all are dispatched. A small number of copies are available on application to H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 East 57th Street, New York 22, N. Y. at 25¢ post paid.

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The appearance of another volume of the Billig Handbooks is generally greeted with relish by the specialists, for whom in the most part the books are compiled. The store of information in this volume continues the tradition of putting down in black and white many of the little known facts that few heretofore have known, or have been in a position to learn or assemble.

Outstanding feature of the present volume are the articles on the plating of several of the early stamps of Norway. Here in a matter of sixty pages is presented some studies of these stamps which from the time angle alone would occupy most of one person's free time for life if the material were easily available, which of course it isn't.

This section of the book alone is worth several hundred times the purchase price for the specialist in these stamps.

The Italian specialist will enjoy the listing of the towns which correspond to the many numeral cancellations.

The Russian specialist will feel well repaid with the cataloging of the Russian stamps to 1918, including the Military, Charity and local stamps. Included in the section on Russia is a listing of the places having numeral cancellations and their corresponding town names.

The remaining parts of the book not noted here are quite as important and as comprehensive in the presentation made of the subjects as the ones listed above. The specialist will find these various volumes of the Billig Handbooks indispensable. A list of all of them, as well as the books themselves are available from the publisher.

—Carl P. Rueth

**Album Pages For Israel
Now In Preparation**

The current war between the Arab States and Israel, with the endeavors of the United Nations to bring about a settlement acceptable to all concerned, has not been without its effects on philately.

The tremendous interest in the newborn States of Israel, with its attendant issue of new stamps, offers the collector an opportunity to make a complete collection of these new issues while they are still obtainable.

Soon to come off the drawing board and into production is a White Ace Historical Album for the Stamps of Israel. The album will, in every way, measure up to its predecessors and will feature color, beautiful decoration, and historical descriptions. It will be available in loose-leaf three ring binder style, 8½ x 11 on heavy card stock.

It is expected that the White Ace Album for Israel will be ready shortly after the first of the year.

**Another Catalog Section
From Czech Publisher**

Another edition of that handy series of catalogs has appeared from the firm of Hugo Kolar, Tajovskeho 40, Bratislava 9, Czechoslovakia. The present one deals with the stamps of Slovenia, and Bohemia and Moravia.

Due to the fact that they are written in the Czech language, their appeal will be lessened a great deal to the collectors in this country, but for those who have some rudimentary knowledge of it, the catalogs will prove helpful.

This present edition, No. 6 contains 16 pages of listings which carry adequate illustrations. Binding is between heavy paper covers. There is to be 20 editions to complete the series of catalogs and these will price and list the stamps of the major nations. Each, like the present one, will sell for 10 Kopecks.

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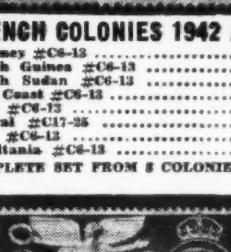
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"The Sign Of The Wren's Nest" was the name which Joel Chandler Harris gave to the Harris home in West Atlanta, Georgia. In the above picture, the author of the delightful tales about southern negroes is shown standing near the bottom step.

BELOVED RED HEAD

by Carl P. Rueth

Photographs from the Emory University Library, Emory University, Georgia.

The small, wiry, red-headed boy cast a speculative eye on the bustling scene before him. It was market day in Eatonton. On one side of the street the farmers had backed their wagons hub to hub at the curb, at the hitching rail on the other, they had tied their horses shoulder to shoulder. In a rain filled mud puddle near the middle of the line of horses wallowed some pigs.

The blue eyes twinkled, the freckled face twitched in an effort to restrain the inner merriment as stooping, he selected a boulder, and let it fly into the midst of the porkers. Squealing in wild fright, the huddle of pigs exploded in the direction of the horses.

When two days later the last horse had been found and accounted for, the red head was still chuckling.

Lest it be assumed from the above, that the boy, Joel Chandler Harris, was an incorrigible brat, it would be better to stay judgment on the matter. Frankster he was, as well as shrewd and devilish, but what active boy in a sleepy country Georgia town wouldn't be inclined to liven the atmosphere on occasion.

Three places in Putnam County claim his birth, but neither Harris himself nor the older folks were ever able to decide definitely on any one of them. The birth was near Eatonton on December 9, 1848.

Joel's mother came from one of the most loved and prominent families of Georgia. His father, who abandoned the new baby and its mother a few days after the birth, was an Irishman who responded little to the blessings of married life. The marriage had been performed against the wishes of Mary Harris' parents who had warned, perhaps too strenuously, of the difference between their stations in life and their lack of mutual interests. Loyally, after a break with her parents on the matter, Mary Harris married her Irishmen.

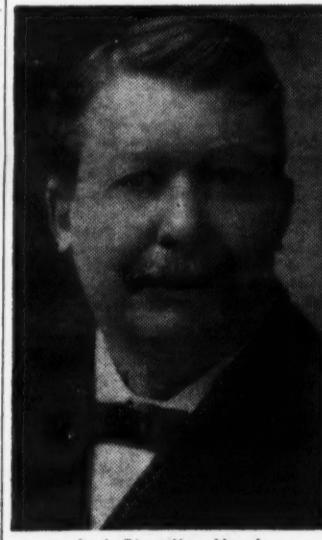
The defection of the father was probably the making of the son, for it produced a bond between mother and son that grew stronger as it grew older. Mary Harris wiped all vestiges of Joel's father from their ken, even taking the step of having their names changed to that of her family, Harris.

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Carl P. Rueth

From Mary Harris the red head was to learn much of the gentleness, the loyalty and the love for the beautiful things which became a part of his nature. From the townfolk, who took Mary Harris and her baby son for their own, he learned of tolerance, and the warmth of friendliness. In the fields and woods, he learned to



Joel Chandler Harris
About 1897

love the forest creatures about which he wrote so well.

When fourteen, Joel decided to lay aside his boyish interests, and assume part of the responsibility of keeping the two of them which his mother had carried alone from his birth. His application for an apprenticeship in printing was accepted by Joseph Addison Turner, publisher and editor of the "Countryman," a weekly printed at "Turnwold" the Turner plantation.

At Turnwold, Joel was an interested and quick learning student of the printing trade. But his greatest advantages here were the fatherly interest and guidance of Turner himself, and the permission to read the books in the extensive Turner library.

Harris' first attempts at writing were made at this time also. Some of them were "slipped" into the Countryman but not past the eyes of the understanding editor who chose to remain quiet on the matter. Later, under Turner's intelligent guidance Joel improved his ability to write, and was pleased when his mentor openly invited him to contribute to the pages of the paper.

Of course, the Civil War put an end to the Countryman and the Turner fortunes. Joel, with his

printing apprenticeship completed, and with a respectable flair for writing took a job in the composing room of the Macon "Telegraph." A short stay here, where he added humorous comments and editorials to the Telegraph, was followed by an invitation to become the private secretary to the editor of the "Crescent Monthly" of New Orleans.

Joel remained with the Crescent until it ceased publication. On its demise, he returned to Eatonton in May 1867, to spend a number of months with his mother.

Later that year, he returned to Macon in search of a berth on a newspaper, and had the good fortune of meeting a friend who had purchased the "Monroe Advertiser" at Forsyth, Ga. On this paper, as a paragrapher and associate editor, he continued to build his reputation for humorous and pungent paragraphs, so much so in fact, that he was one of the most widely quoted newspapermen in the South.

A most tempting offer came from the "Savannah Morning News," somewhat later, which Harris could not resist, and to Savannah he went. His work there but added to his already sizeable reputation. As an example of his "touch," the following is taken from the Savannah Morning News of the 1871-2 period:

"The colored people of Macon celebrated the birthday of Lincoln again on Wednesday. This is the third time since last October."

In Savannah, Joel lived at the nationally famous "Florida House" one of the finest hotels of the South. Without any pre-meditated attempt on his part, he became the favorite of the guests. His shyness, modesty and his delightful good humor endeared him here as it had done everywhere else.

At Florida House, there came in the winters of 1870-3 Captain Pierre La Rose and his wife, from Quebec, where they owned extensive farm lands. During their third season in Savannah, they were joined by their daughter

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Esther, who at seventeen had just
graduated from a convent school
at St. Hyacinthe, Canada.

Esther was small, dainty and
coquetteish, with sparkling eyes
and a taste for innocent mischief.
Harris had no protection against
these delights, nor did he want
any, for he pressed a vigorous
suit for Esther's hand. Her thrilling
"yes" was whispered at last—
they were married, Esther LaRose
and Joel Chandler Harris, at Savannah
on April 21, 1873.

In the second year of their
marriage, the blissful couple were
blessed with their first child, Julian,
who was born on June 21, 1874. And but a little over twelve
months later the second son, Lucien,
joined the family.

The yellow fever epidemic in
Savannah in 1876 motivated the
young couple to take their children
to a healthier climate. They
decided on Atlanta.

In Atlanta, they were welcomed
enthusiastically by their hosts of
friends. It was then that Joel went
to work on the "Atlanta Constitution"
as editorial paraprapher, and remained there until his re-
tirement many years later.

Late in 1876, on December 8,
the third son Evan Howell was
born. But the joy which he
brought his parents was replaced
with grief as his death in May of
1878 brought the first tragedy to
the family.

God healed this scar on the
hearts of the young parents somewhat
when but a few months later, in September, Evelyn, the
fourth boy was sent to their loving
care.

In looking backwards, the year
1878 was a full one in many respects
for Joel. The "Constitution"
changed bands that year, and some of the personnel withdrew
from employment, among them Sam W. Small. Small had been
conducting a column of anecdotes
in which a fictional Negro character
"Uncle Si" predominated.

In attempting to continue this feature,
Harris was asked to take it over. He agreed, with the condition
of pursuing the idea along lines of his own. Thus was born
the fables, sayings and songs of Uncle Remus, the Negro character
who was to make him world famous.

Little more will be said about
the writings which made Harris
so beloved by children of all ages.
His works are widely known and their influence tremendous.
This seemingly curt dismissal of
the Harris monument, his splendid literature, is only made with
the thought of giving a more intimate
picture of the many lesser known aspects of his life.

Now, on December 29, 1879,
came an event which pleased Harris considerably, and which thrilled
his wife, Esther immeasurably.

The first daughter was born, and named, Mary Esther. Harris had
wanted a girl baby for a long time; Mary Esther's birth put him in
the clouds for weeks. A little over two years later, the second
daughter greeted the Harrisises. Lillian was born on March 1, 1882.

Perhaps God in his wisdom sent Lillian to them to soften the blow which fell later that year. Mary Esther, a few weeks before her third birthday, fell ill with diphtheria and died.

In July of 1883, the fifth boy, Linton was sent to Joel and Esther. And in 1885, the third girl, Mildred brought added sunshine. The last of the Harris children, Joel Chandler Harris, Jr. was born in 1888.

Death again stalked the Harris household, and claimed Linton for his prey in August of 1890. Diphtheria had struck again.

Over and above the dreadful void which Linton's passing left in the family generally, it was a deeper blow to Julian, the oldest of the boys, and to the father. Julian and Linton had been "special" with each other, the younger holding Julian as his personal hero, and the older, the understanding counselor of the little fellow.

The father's hurt came from Julian's heartbreak, and from the sudden ending of the pleasure he

found in their brotherly adoration.

When the Harris fortunes had improved because of the never ceasing demand for the Uncle Remus and other works, by the publishers, a new home was chosen in the West End of Atlanta. Of course, the increasing family had made it imperative to move from the five room cottage which was their first Atlanta home. The financial returns from the writings, made it possible.

The new home, which was added to on several occasions, had several acres of land, and it gave Harris the opportunity he had been wanting to garden. It wasn't many months after the Harrises took over, that the master had a fine showing of flowers and vegetables for his efforts.

Two names are known for this West Atlanta home. An earlier one, "Snap Bean Farm," was affixed in jest, the second, "At The Sign of the Wren's Nest" was given after the discovery of two little wrens which had set up housekeeping in the letter box near the gate.

Among the many men and women whom Joel Chandler Harris was proud to call friend, are some of the outstanding figures of that day. James Whitcomb Riley was considered as one of the family, and it was to him that the second full length novel, "Gabriel Tolliver" was dedicated. Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens) reveled in the visits and the exchange of letters with "Uncle Remus," while Theodore Roosevelt, as military man and president, was proud of his intimate friendship with the shy author.

Apparently, by 1908, the fame of Harris' stories had reached "The Country Next Door To The World" and it is easy to picture insistent angels petitioning their God for a visit from the master story teller. God in his wisdom favored them, for on Friday, July 3, 1908, at sunset, Joel answered his Creator's call.

The end came peacefully and quietly with the devoted family at his bedside. An attack of uraemic poisoning, from which there was no hope of recovery claimed him.

Father O. N. Jackson, who had baptized him and received him into the Catholic church but two weeks before his death, read the burial service at St. Anthony Chapel on Sunday afternoon, July 5.

In Westview cemetery he was laid to rest "among his own," his mother, and the little Harrises, Evan, Mary Esther and Linton.

On his head stone of Georgia granite are those beautiful words selected from the dedication of the Frost edition of the "Uncle Remus" tales, where the author offered this splendid tribute to the artist who had made "Brer Rabbit" and "Brer Fox" come to life in pictures:

I seem to see before me the smiling faces of thousands of children—some young and fresh and some wearing the friendly marks of age, but all children at heart—and not an unfriendly face among them. And while I am trying hard to speak the right word, I seem to hear a voice lifted above the rest, saying: "You have made some of us happy." And so I feel my heart fluttering and my lips trembling and I have to bow silently, and turn away and hurry into the obscurity that fits me best.

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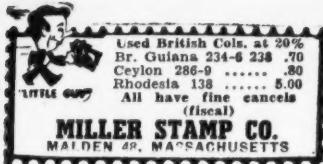
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By Carl P. Rueth

Might as well approach the matter head on—no point in trying to play around with the thought. The holly, the carols, the kids bursting under the pressure of trying to be good are all Christmas signs. And Christmas is a time for glowing hearts, and love and friendship, and a time of remembrance.

To all of you a Merry Christmas—with those words go a world of wishes for the best of everything you want. Thanks to those of you who have helped with interesting bits of information for your fellow collectors. Thanks too, to those of you who have written expressing your appreciation of my efforts.

A touch of the Christmas Season in the quiz this week.

1. What commemorative issue of stamps was the one made the closest before a Christmas Day December 25?

2. Were any of the towns with a name associated with Christmas ever a first day city? For example, Noel, Santa Claus, Bethlehem, Yulee, Christmas, Santa, Holly or Mistletoe?

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New regulations from there state that to get a plate block of any stamp whether ½¢ or \$5.00 you must now purchase the full sheet. Previously, you could get a plate block with the purchase of a certain stated number of stamps of each denomination.

Last week I said that I would choose the stamp designs I thought were the five best for the year 1948. I have made my choice on appeal to the eye only, and not with any weight given to the ap-

priateness of the design to the commemoration, or the worthiness of the subject. So here they are!

1. Palomar Mountain Observatory.
2. Swedish Pioneer Centennial
3. Rough Riders
4. Gettysburg Address
5. Canada Friendship

This is strictly my personal opinion, and I'm not inclined to argue pro or con about the choices.

There were two designs to which I would give honorable mention. One was the stamp for the Indian Centennial, the other the New York Jubilee 5¢ airmail stamp. I believe if the latter had been issued in the same size as those of the Famous American series, it would have come pretty close to being a winner.

There are four stamps which I consider better than the average efforts of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. These are the Fort Bliss Centennial, the Clara Barton, the Poultry Industry and the Harlan Fiske Stone. The latter is the best of the Famous Americans honored this year.

Stamps which I would consider the average emission are the Joel Chandler Harris, George Washington Carver, Will Rogers, William Allen White, Wisconsin Centennial, Four Chaplains Youth Month, Women's Rights, California Gold Centennial and the Oregon Centennial.

Collectors who might want to apply for a sending of the approvals can write to the company at the above address.

The four stamps now listed are in my opinion extremely poor designs: Mississippi Territory; Volunteer Firemen; Francis Scott Key and Juliette Gordon Low. Even a different color wouldn't have helped any of these, where it would have some of the others.

There is only one word which will describe the remaining four designs, and that word is "lousy". Battling it out for the awfulest design of the year are the Fort Kearny, the Moira Michael, the Gold Star Mothers and the Turner Society Centennial. I'd say that it was a tie between the Turner and the Michael stamps for the last place.

So there, I have stuck my beautiful white neck way out. Why not send in your own choices to add to the votes which are coming in to name the five best?

Promotional work is now in full swing by Virginians and the Woodrow Wilson Foundation who are petitioning the Post Office Department for a stamp to honor this former president on the 25th anniversary of his death. According to Joseph Bobbitt, Jr. of Norfolk, Representative Harrison of that state has consulted with Postmaster General Donaldson on the matter.

The sponsoring group are asking for the issuance on or about February 3.

Should this stamp be granted, it will be the second for the state of Virginia in 1949. The commemorative for Washington and Lee University will appear at Lexington, Va. on April 12.

Woodrow Wilson was born at Staunton, Va. where his home is preserved as a shrine.

1. The Pilgrim Tercentenary issue of three values was issued on December 21, 1920.

2. Bethlehem, Pa. is listed as a first day city for the three values of the Huguenot-Walloon series. It is the only first day city with a Christmas tie-in.

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Visitors Jam Museum
At Formal Opening

Temple University at Philadelphia on December 4 opened its new Philatelic Museum, the only one in this country and the only private one in the world.

Nearly 1000 invited guests had a preview of a \$2,000,000 stamp exhibit, which was on view to the public for two weeks beginning December 5. The museum is to be open seven days a week, with service men admitted free.

Dr. Robert L. Johnson, president of Temple, took part in the dedication ceremony, standing in the receiving line with officers of the museum.

The museum occupies a former bank building. Gustave A. von Gross is curator. The officers include: George W. Caldwell, president; Julius H. Tolson and Harry M. Buten, vice presidents; Vincent Domanski, Jr., treasurer; P. Harbot Sanville, secretary.

Largest of the 126 collections in the opening exhibition was that of the U. S. Post Office displayed behind the grillwork in the vault. It consists of every stamp type the United States Government ever printed.

The collection of Francis Cardinal Spellman, which drew much comment, consisted exclusively of stamps depicting religious subjects.

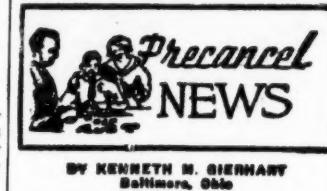
Another collection showed stamps of the British Empire and displayed the famous British "penny black" of 1840, the first postage stamp issued by any government.

A \$50,000 collection, loaned by Edward Stern, of New York, was a highly specialized one. It consisted of covers used by American Presidents while they held office, and franked covers with their signatures used after they were out of office. It also had covers sent by John Hancock and other signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Cuban T. B. Society
Used First Day Cachet

When the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of Cuba released the 1948 Christmas Seals to the public, it sponsored a cachet to be applied to covers on which the seal and the proper postage were affixed. The first day was December 3.

The cachet was rubber stamped in a blue ink on all covers. It consisted of the following wording arranged attractively, "Dia Del Medico/3 Diciembre 1948/ Primer Dia/Sello de Propaganda/Feliz Navidad!/Consejo Nacional/De Tuberculosis/Rep. Cuba."

BY KENNETH M. GIERMANT
Baltimore, Md.

DOUBLE LINES.

Mention of a Double Line catalog recently brought several inquiries and comments on the Double Line field.

One thing that has come to my attention is the listing of certain items as "Diagonal." Generally these command quite a premium over the normal varieties. The catalog publishers were well aware of this situation long ago because they have a note in the preface of the catalog discussing Diagonal imprints. It is the Publishers conclusion that an imprint should be at least at an angle of 22 degrees before it can be considered a Diagonal. At this angle the printing will miss the corner stamp in the sheet and require an additional imprint. Therefore the reason that a lot of Doubles have one impression Diagonal.

I will be anxious to note the new catalog in its listing of Huntington, W. Va. In the Third edition every value of the Presidential series was precancelled in its U-15 type from the ½c to the 50c except the 13c. Surely the 13c is out by now. Who can report one?

The scarcest of Double Lines are from Quitman Ga. A 12c 1922 issue, a 5c, 6c inv., 7c and 10c inv. 1926 issue are all the varieties known and all catalog \$25 but the 10c env. which cats \$15. One wonders why the Quitman office would go to the trouble to get an electro and then have only such a few items cancelled with it. Maybe there is a story behind these few facts.

Philatelic Handbooks
Published In England

Five booklets of interest to collectors, especially those of Great Britain have been re-issued by publisher F. Hugh Vallancey, 7 The Drive, Sidcup, Kent England. They are of a series known as "Stamp Collectors Handbook" and are intended for just that purpose.

Booklet No. 1, "British Stamps Perforated With Firms' Initials" otherwise known as SPIFS, tells the ins and outs of this popular sideline as practiced by the British collectors. Vallancey is the author. "The Postage Stamps of King Edward VIII" is the title of Booklet No. 2, also by Vallancey.

The granddaddy of them all, the Penny Black, is the subject of the next two booklets, numbers 5 and 6. The former's title is "The Penny Black Its Plate Characteristics" by Charles Nissen, the latter's "Penny Blacks, Plated" by F. Wadham.

Handbook No. 7, "Useful Hints for Stamp Collectors" by William Hadlow attempts to supply information which is of use to the average stamp fan. Prices are as follows. No. 1, 2 and 7 are 2/6, while No.'s 5 and 6 are 5/ each. Any or all can be obtained from the publisher at the address above.

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DEAD LINES

NEW YEAR'S EVE, NEW YEAR'S DAY — JAN. 10, and a date later in January, and the reason for this large advertisement.

On New Year's Day, by law, U. S. postal rates on air-mail go from 5c to 6c; Special Delivery 13c to 15c; Registry, 20c to 25c. A new air postal, 4c rate; while this rate is available Jan. 1, the new card is not ready until Jan. 10. A new 6c small air stamp and a new 6c envelope come later in January, although the new rates are in effect Jan. 1. The old rates have their last day on December 31.

WITH THE AVALANCHE OF NEW STAMPS that appeared before the election and with the Christmas rush, it is no wonder that the Post Office Department was unable to have ready the Air-Mail Card, the new 6c Air stamp or the new 6c Stamped Envelope. Therefore we come forward with the last and first day of rate covers.

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It's no use though for the prospects of more stocks appearing is very remote and the new 6¢ rate, shortly to appear, cancels all chances of more printings. Just imagine, a stamp issued only a few months ago and to-day prices are being asked that are comparative to the meteoric rise of the Pony Express Issue, only this one advanced twenty times as fast. What a bonanza for those who were wide awake.

Usually a 5¢ commem, a year after its issuance commands about 40 or 50 cents for a Plate No. Block but to-day I note ads of certain dealers offering as much as 75¢ for specific positions of the NY Airmail.

All of the above leads me on to warn you of the chance that another issue (this one has been in use for a long time), may turn out to be a humdinger in its own right. Do you recall in one of my first columns when I warned that there was always the possibility of certain Plate Nos. of even the lowly 3¢ Jefferson or others of the Prexies series of reaching the rare status?

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My advice TO YOU IS TO GET AS MANY PLATE NO. BLOX OF THE 1½¢ PREXIE AS YOU CAN LAY YOUR HANDS ON. I don't promise you fabulous fortune but I do state that you will never regret having listened to me. You can still get this stamp at your local post offices at face (6¢ per plate block). And here is something else for you to remember. If at the end of six (6) months you feel that I put you on the wrong track then you can sell me all you have at 25 per cent over face. Show me another enterprise that will give you that percentage of net profit for your investment. Nevertheless take my advice and hold on to them and to-day go out and get as many as you can.

Other stamps that may be affected by the new rates are the ½¢ of the Prexie Series, the 13¢ Special Delivery (new rate will be 15¢) and of course the small 5¢ airmail (C33).

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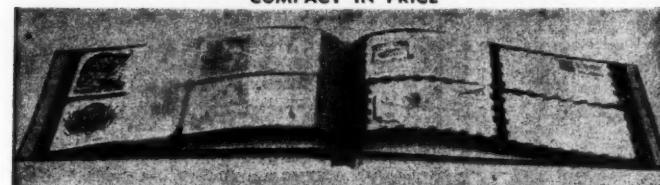
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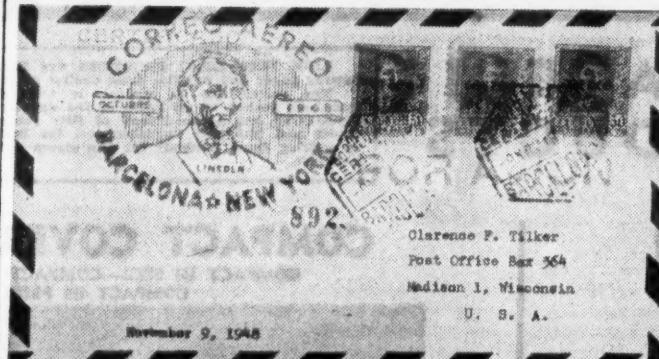
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SPAIN USES LINCOLN PORTRAIT. On November 9, a flight took place between New York City and Barcelona, Spain which was the inauguration of the carrying of mail between the two cities. It was designated as FAM-18. On that same day, Spain made a flight in the opposite direction from Barcelona to New York, and to distinguish the covers for the occasion, added a cachet to covers carried. A bust portrait of Lincoln figured prominently in the cachet. This is shown on the above cover, the property of Clarence F. Tilker, Madison, Wis.

**Reinhardt
Revenue
ramblings**

by "Uncle Walt" Reinhardt
446 Newton Denver, Colo.

Hi friends—time for a few lines again, so let's talk stamps for a while.

All you U. S. Revenue collectors should have a copy of Scott's Specialized Catalog. It can help you a lot with your collection. I noticed that under the "dated" Documentary and Stock Transfer issues, they have priced many of the '40 (both), '41, '42, '43, '44 and '45 in used condition. Glad to see this—these spaces have been left blank before.

Looking over the prices of the above mentioned, rather hastily, most of these seem to be priced close to the net prices at which these stamps are selling—that is for good used, uncut copies. They also price the uncanceled of 1946 and 1947 in both sets.

In the 1941 Wines—there are no additional listings since last year. The 3½c are not listed; \$5, \$7.20, \$10, \$100 and \$200 are the last five listed—so you can see how many of the higher values have still been left out.

The "Car" stamps received five used quotations, all priced about right. However the mint listings were not changed—so in my way of thinking, they might just as well have left these spaces blank. Some items are selling at four or five times catalog value, some at almost one-half. Most dealers would like to be able to buy some RV5 at \$1 each, also sell a lot of RV1 at \$4.25.

Most of the "Ducks" seem to be priced about right for top condition items (RW2, used is priced somewhat low).

In the 1st, 2nd and 3rd issues I could find no changes. A few scattered items in the 1914 and 1917 Ducks' and the Future Delivery.

Can anyone give us the story about these: RB21—1/4c Proprietary (battleship) overprinted 'GUAM' in rather large type? Also the Dr. Kilmer (Swamproot) I. R. overprints, on the 1c, 2c, and 3c postage issues of 1898? Mr. Newell E. Collins of Algonac, Mich. asks about these.

Mr. C. C. Hagenbuch of St. Clairsville, Ohio, writes that he has a \$5.00 '42 Documentary (R352) with the 1942 date 26.m.m. below the top border of the stamp.

This is way below the center of the stamp, in fact below the name label. This is an interesting item. Does anyone else have anything like it? My thanks to both of you gentlemen for writing me, also the many others, including those who noticed that I did not include the \$1., \$2., and \$3. values with the lower 1c, 2c, and 3c (1940 new) listings of

"sensitive ink" varieties.

Do you A. P. S. members know that you can get circuits of books of all revenue stamps? Some very nice items in a recent circuit that I looked at, included—R191—\$2. green, surcharged as R185, uncanc. (listed by Scott) only about 19 copies known; RB8—50¢ green and black, used (cat. val. \$75.00); RB16c—5c black (rouletted) catalog value of this item is \$200. used. Many other nice items, that you do not see every day.

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Two years ago the Blackhawk Philatelic Society was organized by an enthusiastic group of collectors in and near Rockford, Ill. Besides a large local member-



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Just recently, a member in China paid his year's dues with three full panes of Chinese stamps which had a face value of \$750,000. Mrs. Alice Leibforth, the recording secretary is shown with the stamps.

The Blackhawk Society is a member of the Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society. At the present time it is in the midst of promoting collecting among the juniors of Rockford.

Corresponding secretary of the club is Edward J. Flath, 415 Wall St., Rockford, Ill.

**New Mexico Association
Has Official Magazine**

The New Mexico Philatelic Association has finally launched the first number of their official bulletin with the October issue. This publication, known as "The New Mexico Philatelist" had several difficulties which needed elimination before the printing of it was possible.

Unlike a lot of other club publications, this one is a printed paper of eight pages, and was made possible through the spirit-ed cooperation of George K. Congdon of Gallup, Armin W. Franke, 311 Lomita St., Box 1157, Santa Fe, New Mexico is the president of the association.

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One of the more disagreeable tasks in handling stamps in quantity is soaking them off paper, and sorting them. No dealer relishes the job, but one man a few years ago found a way to get the job done at little cost.

Operating on the Hudson out of New York City is a fleet of excursion boats called the Hudson Day Line. Sundays and Holidays the decks are crowded with thousands of excursionists who flock to get out of the city in summer.

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The opportunity to work at such different work didn't come often, so it was but a matter of moments until spectators became workers. Soon after every chair around the soaking and sorting tables would be occupied, with a line forming on the right consisting of other spectators who wanted to be workers. As fast as one chair emptied, another spectator would fight for it.

Late that evening as the Day Line Steamer chugged to its New York dock, the enterprising dealer would gather up his stamps, soaked and sorted, the work that would take a paid employee or two the greater part of a week having been performed for him by willing hands at the price of a round trip excursion ticket!

**Florida Club Elects
New Officers For 1949**

At the beginning of the second full year of existence, the Fort Lauderdale Stamp Club of Fort Lauderdale, Florida installed a new group of officers.

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In order to enter your answers in this contest you are required to put your answers on one of the Official Contest Entry Blanks that may be obtained only from our office. To obtain one of these blanks you are required to send us one new subscription for one year at the full subscription price. If you are not now a subscriber to Linn's Weekly Stamp News, you may send your own subscription. Where subscriptions are sent us in order to obtain the Official Contest Entry Blank, you must request that the blank be sent you and at the same time you must enclose with your request a stamped and addressed envelope for mailing the blank to you. It is unnecessary that you cut the pictures from the paper and send them to us. This is usually a provision in similar contests but we recognize the fact that a great many readers would not wish to cut up and destroy their papers so we have adopted the plan of using the Official Contest Entry Blank to simplify the whole matter.

The first picture in the contest is in our issue of September 8, and one will appear each week for twenty weeks, making the last picture on January 17th. For the benefit of anyone who has failed to obtain or see copies of any of the pictures we have had printed a supply of all of the 20 different pictures. The set of twenty different pictures will not be available for distribution until January 15th. Orders for these twenty pictures at a price of 10c for the set, postpaid, will be accepted at any time, but none will be mailed until January 15th which will be about the date of publication of the final picture, thus you will have a period of about 30 days after publication of the final picture to prepare your answers, fill out your contest blanks and get them to our office.

The contest blanks have twenty numbered lines on them and each picture in the contest will bear a number, so that you are only required to write your answer to each picture on the numbered line corresponding with the number of the picture. Then sign your full name and address in a legible manner at the foot of the contest blank, then on the back of the blank answer the question which is asked there, or rather complete the statement, part of which is printed on the back of the blank. Then mail the completed form back to our office so it will reach us not later than February 15th, 1949. Any answers received after the 15th will not be considered or accepted.

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Official Contest Entry Blanks are given free to any reader who sends us one NEW Subscription at the current rate of \$1.00 per year in the United States. If you are not now a subscriber, your own subscription will be accepted. However when you send back your subscription you must request at that time, one of these Contest Entry Blanks and at the same time send us a stamped and addressed envelope for mailing the blank to you. If you send us a subscription at one time and ask for a blank at a later date because of such subscription sent us, we will not provide the blank, the blank must be requested at time subscription is sent.

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One or more prizes may be won by any contestant, so send in as many entries as you wish to submit. The judging will be done first by the staff of Linn's Weekly, after which the best answers will be placed in the hands of an impartial group of three prominent local business men, in no way associated with stamps or with our publication and they will make any final decisions in cases of a tie.

The complete list of answers will be published in our issue of February 21st. List of the winners of all prizes will be published in full, as soon after the close of the contest as possible.

The complete list of answers are typed and sealed in an envelope in our Safe Deposit Box. Answers will be judged only by this list, word for word as written so be careful, use only necessary words as answers to be fully correct must be exact words as we have prepared them. Letter A is a word.

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Notes And News Of German Stamps

F. Behle-Neuhold
P. O. Box 85 Hamburg, Ger.

The overprints "Soviet Occupation Zone" were, as known, the same provisional type of stamps as the postillon horns overprints of the Bizone. Now the final emission is finished and was sold within the first decade of October.

To begin with, there are 16 values on the market, viz. from 2-84 pfg. Later on values of 1, 2, 3 and 5 marks will supplement this series.

The first 16 values are the following:

2 pfg., dark-grey
Kaethe Kollwitz
6 pfg., blue-violet
Gerhart Hauptmann
8 pfg., brown-red
Karl Marx

10 pfg., emerald-green
August Bebel
12 pfg., light-blue
Friedrich Engels

15 pfg., dark-brown
G. W. Fr. Hegel
16 pfg., blue-green
Rudolf Virchow

20 pfg., ruby
Kaethe Kollwitz
24 pfg., carmine
Ernst Thaelmann
25 pfg., olive-green
Rudolph Virchow

30 pfg., cinnabar-red
Friedrich Engels
40 pfg., red-violet
Gerhart Hauptmann

50 pfg., blue
Karl Marx

60 pfg., dark-green
G. W. Fr. Hegel

80 pfg., black-blue
Ernst Thaelmann
84 pfg., red-brown

August Bebel

The stamps look rather simple and primitive, and it was up to the printer as to method of printing being used to produce the desired effect of the portraits.

Overprinted Bear - Stamps

In Berlin the values of the Berlin bear edition from the year 1945 were overprinted with the following three words "Soviet Occupation-Zone". These are the seven values of 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20 and 30 pfg.

In some Berlin quarters the edition of these stamps brought protests, because the Berliners of the Western Sectors are of the opinion, that people outside Berlin may be under the impression, that the town Berlin has become part of the Soviet Occupation Zone.

Furthermore it is urged, that the overprint on the old stamps, which are the property of all Berlin Post-Offices jointly, be considered illegal as this has been done without the knowledge and the agreement of the authorities in the Western Sectors.

Numerical Overprints Soviet Zone

Five values of the former numerical editions, which were also overprinted with postillon horns in the Western Zones, have now been issued in the Eastern Zone with the overprint of "Soviet Occupation Zone". Apparently this has really been done in order to use up old stocks, as these values are obtainable in bigger quantities and no shortage can be seen anywhere. These are the values of 5, 30, 45, 75 and 84 pfg.

Like all provisionals, owing to the short period of circulation, these too will be more valuable in used condition or on posted letters, than mint sets.

An Automatic Letter Writer Is The Next Step

In one of the main London England sorting offices, "magic eye" machines are being developed, which will automatically sort mail.

These machines sort letters from packets and parcels, then letters into their different sizes, turning them right way up with the stamp in the right place for franking, and even marking them invisibly with a fluorescent code stamp which sends them to the right "human" sorting office for their addresses to be read—the one thing apparently which as yet it could not do.

It sounds very wonderful and efficient, but nevertheless, whether letters get there or not will still depend upon whether or not the address is written so that anyone



IT'S ALL STAMP BROTHER! Yes indeed that super-super "King" size object on the right hand side of the envelope above is the newest of the stamps from Japan. It is 2½ inches high and 1½ inches wide. The design is rather attractive in dark brown, it depicting the "Back Look Beauty". Value is 5 yen. The stamps are issued in small sheets of five stamps with marginal inscriptions. Issuance was made to commemorate Philatelic Week on November 29 at Tokyo. First day covers were received from T. Kurebayashi, Futagawa Aichi, Japan, and T. Mizutani, 1927 Asahi-Cho, Yokohama, Mie-Ken Japan.

they seem to have changed policies.

Now in Rhineland-Pfalz a charity emission has been announced, viz. the "Oppauer Special Edition", which came on the market in October. These are four semi-postal stamps with overcharges, which have an edition of 1,000,000 sets.

12+ 8 pfg. St. Christoph.
24+ 16 pfg. St. Boniface.
30+ 30 pfg. Pieta.
50+ 50 pfg. Charitas-group.

100 Days 'Air-Bridge' Berlin

During the month of October on the date of the 100 days existence of the Allied Air Traffic to Berlin, the Berliner Post Offices in the Western Zones used a special cancellation. Contrary to most of the other special cancellations, this was a special one meriting international interest.

Britons Enthused Over 1950 Exhibition

Two years ahead of the actual date, British collectors are enthused over the coming International Philatelic Exposition scheduled for London in 1950.

Plans for the exhibition the first in Britain on an international scale since 1923 are under way. In charge are Sir John Wilson, curator of the King's own 250-volume collection valued at more than £1,000,000 (\$4,000,000).

The King does not merely possess his stamps as a state treasure. He takes an active interest in them, as did his father and grandfather.

The exhibition's opening day, May 6, is the anniversary of the morning in 1840 when the world's first adhesive postage stamp—the British "Penny Black"—made its official debut. The war killed plans for a centenary exhibition in 1940.

No one yet knows whether the world's most valuable stamp will be there. This gem is the "One-Cent Magenta" of British Guiana, the only known specimen of which is owned by an American. Its value is about \$45,000.

But it is known that collections from many countries will be brought to London to compete for Royal Philatelic Society awards. The tourist board hopes many overseas visitors will follow.

Some of the outstanding British collections to be shown have never been sent abroad.

Rumors are current about an issue of stamps to commemorate the exhibition, although centenary stamps bearing the heads of Queen Victoria and King George were issued in 1940.

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Exhibition Dates

Jan. 19—Port Arthur Stamp Club, YMCA, Port Arthur, Texas. •
Jan. 29-30—Cleveland Stamp Club, Hotel Hollenden, Cleveland, Ohio.
Feb. 4-6—North Shore Philatelic Society, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
March 3-6—Miami Stamp Club, Bay Front Park Auditorium, Miami, Fla. Chmn. G. S. Knoth, 1136 Dupont Bldg., Miami 32, Fla.

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82 1937-39 #B32-36, 42-47 VF 5.40

83 East Silesia 1920 #1-21 VF expert 22.50

84 1920 #31 VF expert 25.00

85 1920 #32 F-VF expert 25.00

86 Estonia 1918 #1-4, 5-7 VF 5.51

87 1919-20 #27-38 F-VF 2.70

88 1920-24 #46-57 F-VF 3.06

89 1922-25 #65-75 F-VF 7.46

90 1922-25 #76-77 F-VF 2.75

91 1923 #78 VF 2.00

92 1924 #79 VF 5.00

93 1924-28 #81-89 VF 4.65

94 Fiume 1920 #104-19 Fine 22.84

95 France 1925 #226 sheet cut down

as block 15.00

96 1927 #241 same 20.00

97 1930 #247a VF 3.50

98 1930-31 #249-50 VF 3.75

99 1931 #252 VF 5.00

100 1929 #253 F-VF 15.00

101 1931 #254a F-VF 8.00

102 1937 #329 sheet VF 4.00

103 1938 #354 F-VF 4.00

104 Germany 1900 #65 F-VF used 25.00

105 #65a VF corner piece 35.00

106 1902 #78 Fine 15.00

107 1902 #79 Fine 15.00

108 1924 #338-39 VF 4.00

109 1925 #350 VF 3.50

110 1927 #363-65 VF 5.75

111 1928-32 #366-83 VF 7.17

112 1930 #387 Fine 3.00

113 1932 #391-97 VF 4.35

114 1933 #401-14 F-VF 4.80

Lot #	General Foreign	Cat. Val.	Lot #	General Foreign	Cat. Val.	Lot #	General Foreign	Cat. Val.
115	1924 #B8-11 VF	6.75	243	1934 #139-54 VF	21.55	371	Lebanon 1929 #C33-36 VF	30.25
116	1926 #B15-18 VF	8.75	244	1926 #B1-4 F-VF	5.50	372	1928 Sa. #34-37 VF	Sa. 20.00
117	1927 #B19-22 VF	3.60	245	#B58-2 Fine	5.00	373	Liechtenst. 1930 #C1-6 VF	10.35
118	1929 #B28-32 F-VF	6.60	246	1929 #B16-22 VF	11.85	374	1931 #C7-8 VF	20.00
119	1930 #B33 VF sheet	17.50	247	1931 #B23-29 F-VF	16.50	375	Macao 1938 #C7-15 VF	2.15
120	1930 #B34-37 VF	3.45	248	1933 #B44-46 VF	24.00	376	Madagascar 1944 #C37-43 VF	5.20
121	1931 #B38-41 F-VF	7.00	249	1934 #B47-53 VF used	15.75	377	Martinique 1945 #C1-2 VF	3.00
122	Same used	8.10	250	San Marino 1927-28 #108-14 VF	3.00	378	1947 #C10-12 VF	3.95
123	1933 #B49-57 F-VF	20.65	251	1929-35 #115-33 F-VF	14.85	379	Mozambique 1938 #C1-9 VF	2.84
124	1933 #B56 F-VF sheet	40.00	252	1932 #139-42 VF	3.45	380	Mexico 1924-34 #C11-19 VF	13.48
125	1934 #B59-67 VF	6.30	253	#143-50 VF underpriced	8.40	381	1929 #C26-27 F-VF	30.25
126	1935 #B68 sheet VF	5.00	254	1934 #155-60 VF	12.25	382	1930 #C31-36 VF	11.20
127	1936-38 #B93-101, 07-15, 123-31 VF	4.66	255	1935 #169-80 VF	3.00	383	1932 #C45a pairs VF	8.00
128	1938 #B119 used	6.00	256	1928 #Q1-15 VF	9.21			